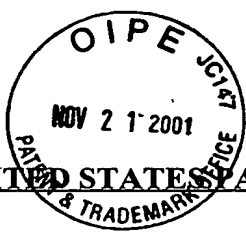


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This is in response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated October 9, 2001, of the Initial Patent Examination Division of the Patent and Trademark Office, the period for response to which is set to expire on December 9, 2001. Submitted herewith is an executed declaration for the above-captioned application.

The fee of \$130.00 is enclosed. Please direct any inquiries in connection with this application to the undersigned.

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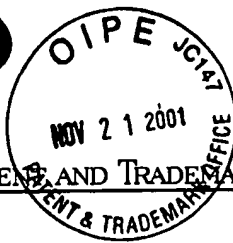
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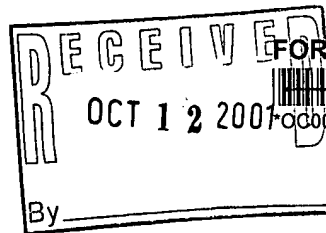


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